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PRAYERS

धीयो यो नः प्रचोदयात्

May That Supreme Being impel our intellect towards the right path.

असतो मा सद्गमय । तमसो मा ज्योतिर्गमय । मृत्योर्मा अमृतं गमय ।।

Lead us from unreal unto Real, Lead us from darkness unto Light, Lead us from death unto Immortality.

आ नो भद्रा: क्रतवो यन्तु विश्वत:

Let noble thoughts come to us from all sides.

सा विद्या या विमुक्तये

Knowledge is that which liberates.

उत्तिष्ठत जाग्रत प्राप्य वरान्निबोधत ।

Arise! Awake! Having reached the great (teacher), learn (realise that Atman).

अज्ञानितिमरान्धस्य ज्ञानाञ्जनशलाकया । चक्षुरुन्मीलितं येन तस्मै श्रीगुरवे नम: ।।

I prostrate to that Sadguru, Who opens, with the Collyrium-stick of Knowledge, the eyes of him who is rendered blind by the darkness of ignorance.

ॐ सह नाववतु । सह नौ भुनक्तु । सह वीर्यं करवावहै । तेजस्विनावधीतमस्तु मा विद्विषावहै ।। ॐ शान्ति: शान्ति: शान्ति: ।

May He (The Supreme Being) protect us both (the teacher and the taught). May He cause us both to enjoy the bliss of Mukti (liberation). May we both exert to find out the true meaning of the scriptures. May our studies be fruitful.

May we never quarrel with each other.

वसुधैव कुटुम्बकम्

The whole universe is one family.

ॐ सर्वेषां स्वस्ति भवतु । सर्वेषां शान्तिर्भवतु । सर्वेषां पुर्णं भवतु । सर्वेषां मङ्गलं भवतु ।।

May asupiciousness be unto all, May peace be unto all, May fullness be unto all, May prosperity be unto all.

सर्वे भवन्तु सुखिन: सर्वे सन्तु निरामया: । सर्वे भद्राणि पश्यन्तु मा कश्चिद् दु:खभागभवेत् ।।

May all be happy,
May all be free from disabilities,
May all behold what is auspiciousness,
May none suffer from sorrows.

लोका समस्ता सुखिनो भवन्तु । May Happiness be unto all Beings.

ॐ पूर्णमद: पूर्णिमदं पूर्णात्पूर्णमुदच्यते । पूर्णस्य पूर्णमादाय पुर्णमेवावशिष्यते ।।

Om! That (Brahman) is full. This (Universe) is Full. From That (Brahman) Full, this (Universe) Full has come. When this (Universe) full is taken from That (Brahman) full, It (Brahman) always remains Full.

Peace be to the East! Peace be to the West!

Peace be to the North! Peace be to the South!

Peace be above! Peace be below!

Peace be to all creatures of this universe!!

ॐ शान्ति: शान्ति: शान्ति: । Om ! Peace, Peace, Peace.

Be good. — Swami Sivananda

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Lesson No. - 8 True Purpose of Human Life

The eighth lesson is "True Purpose of Human Life".

Meaning: On completion of education in our student life, we enter into household life. We take to some money earning profession, business or agriculture. We earn money and accumulate material wealth. And with the help of money and material wealth, we meet the day-to-day basic and other secular necessities of the earthly life of ourselves and our family members such as food, clothing, house, medicines, etc. in order to ensure our physical existence and to live a reasonably comfortable life upon the earth plane. With money, we arrange for education our children and their engagement in some occupation/business/ vocation/profession and also their marriage. We use money in order to fulfill our other worldly desires. We also use money to meet our social and national needs and obligations in our life. Thus, earning of money, meeting of our secular needs and fulfilling of our worldly desires becomes the purpose of our life. This purpose of our life is called worldly purpose or secular purpose.

We feel that this secular purpose is the only purpose of our life. But, is this the only purpose of human life? In this connection, our ancient Spiritual Scriptures and our *Rishis, Munis,* Saints and Sages say that there is a higher purpose of life, over and above the secular purpose, and for achievement of that higher purpose, the Creator has gifted us with the most precious birth as human beings. What is that higher purpose of our most precious human life? It can be explained in the following words.

In this universe, everything is changing and going through the process of evolution in accordance with the Law of Nature. The lowest of the creation i.e. the inanimate stones and mountains evolve into living plants and trees. Plants and trees evolve into

insects and animals. Insects and animals evolve into human beings, the crown of creation. Then the turn comes for human beings to evolve and transform themselves into divinity, the state of their Creator Himself and get united or merged with the Creator. This is known as *Moksha* or Liberation of the individual Soul from the cycle of births and deaths or Merger or Union of the individual Soul with the Supreme Soul. This is also called Self-realisation or God-realisation. On attainment of *Moksha*, the process of evolution gets completed. Consequently, the individual Soul gets permanently liberated from the wheel of births and deaths, the greatest bondage, and does not take further rebirth in any species of life. Thus, there is permanent end of rebirth and consequently, there is permanent cessation of worldly sorrows, sufferings, pains and miseries (because, birth of the individual soul in any species of life upon the earth plane is full of worldly sorrows, sufferings, pains and miseries); and the individual Soul of the human beings gets everlasting happiness and eternal peace. Thus, Moksha, as our ancient Spiritual Scriptures and our Rishis, Munis, Saints and Sages say, is the higher purpose or the supreme purpose of human life for attainment of which only the Creator has gifted this human birth to human beings. They say that, this purpose is called spiritual purpose. They say that this spiritual purpose is the "True Purpose of human Life" upon this earth plane.

Necessity and importance:- It is necessary and also very important for us to know the true purpose of human life upon this earth plane. Because, once we know the true purpose, we will be interested to know the different ways to achieve the same and thereafter, we will make our best endeavours to achieve the same and thereby, live our life wisely and purposefully. Otherwise, we will live our life for the worldly purpose or secular purpose only and thereby, we will spend our most precious human life purposelessly and meaninglessly and in vain.

Source of detailed knowledge: - For acquiring detailed/ further knowledge on this topic, students can study (i) "Spiritual Literature", i.e. standard works like *Vedas, Upanishads, Bhagavad Gita, Patanjali Yoga Sutras, Manu Smriti, Mahabharata, Ramayana, Granth Sahib, Koran, Bible, Zend-Avesta* and other Holy Spiritual Scriptures of various religions, (ii) Spiritual books written by great, spiritually illumined, Godrealised *Rishis, Munis, Saints, Sages and Prophets, as well as (iii) the Book "Youth! Arise, Awake and Adopt the Right Path of Life" written by two such great saints, viz. Swami Sivananda Saraswati and Swami Chidananda Saraswati, in lesson no. 2, volume no. 3.*

Then, we will discuss in the next lessons how human beings need to build the superstructure of their precious human life completely, properly, strongly and nicely so that they can live the long, three parts of their precious human life of, say, 75 years, ideally, successfully, completely, purposefully, prosperously, happily and peacefully upon this earth plane.

Questions

- 1. Please explain the secular purpose of human life?

 (Marks 5)
- 2. For what purpose has the Creator gifted us the most precious human birth? (Marks 5)
- 3. Please explain the spiritual purpose of human life?
 (Marks 5)
- 4. Why is the spiritual purpose of human life its true purpose? (Marks 5)
- 5. What is the necessity and importance of knowing the true purpose of human life ? (Marks 5)

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You can study the soft copy of other writeups and all other lessons on the subject of "Lifebuilding, Character-building and Man-making Education", which are contained in the newly conceived, designed and prepared Text Book titled "Life Building Science", in the Internet Archive.

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- 1. Youth! Arise, Awake and Adopt the Right Path of Life (16 volumes)
- 2. Value Education for Life building and Successful Living
- 3. Life Building Science (Text Book)
- 4. Valedictory Address to Modern Students
- 5. Students' Awareness Programme
- 6. Noble Character, Ethical Conduct and Celibacy

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